



"WE KNOW YOU'RE IN THERE, LADY—WE'VE GOT YOUR AZALEAS SURROUNDED!...
GIVE UP THE WATER SPRINKLER AND NOBODY GETS HURT!"

WATER ALLOCATION PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT MEETING

***A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL, INTERDISCIPLINARY
INITIATIVE AMONG PARTNERS***

Presented by the
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WATER ALLOCATION PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

- Overview of the Program**
- Work Centered Analysis**
- Establishing Subcommittees and Lead Organizations**
- Committee Objectives and Timeline**

WATER ALLOCATION PROGRAM

Overview

- Multi-dimensional**
- Interdisciplinary**
- Outcome-based**
- Knowledge-driven**

WORK CENTERED ANALYSIS DIAGRAM: WATER ALLOCATION



Water Allocation Program Advisory Committee

- **“Committee of the Whole”**
 - **Interdisciplinary**
 - **Employs consensus-based process**
 - **Synthesizes major program components**
 - **Establishes overall work plan and operating principles**

Subcommittees

- One for each major program component
 - Interdisciplinary
 - Consensus-based
- Develops major program components
 - Objectives, Outcomes, Timelines
- Prepares individual work plan and budget
- Reports to the Advisory Committee
- Managed by primary and secondary organizations

Primary Organizations

- **Build membership of subcommittees**
- **Coordinate monthly meetings**
 - Agendas, schedules, proceedings
- **Report findings to the Advisory Committee**
 - Use the Internet to post proceedings
 - Chairperson is liaison to the Advisory Committee

Secondary Organizations

- Provide support to primary organizations
- Assist in facilitating meetings
- Stand in for primary organizations

Committee Objectives

- An open process with broad access to information
- Collaboration, cooperation, communication
- Results oriented and focused
 - Short term (18 mo.): Registration Program
 - Long term (2-3 yrs.) implement other components of a Water Allocation Program

Water Allocation Advisory Committee: Program Activities Timeline

	2002					2003						
Component	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Proposed Meeting Dates		26	31	21	19	30	27	27	24	29	26	25
Stream Flow Standards												
Reports: Studies/Info Sys												
Research: Other States												
CT Conference												
Research: Registration												
Prepare Workplan												
Water Rights/Authority												
Out-of Basin Transfers												
Priority Uses												
Fees/Rates/Alternatives												
Integ.Water/Wastewater												
Impact Analysis												
Final Workplan/Budget												

Note: A major objective would be to roll out a registration system within 18 months of program inception, contingent on regulatory considerations and funding.

ESTABLISHING SUBCOMMITTEES AND LEAD ORGANIZATIONS

Sub-Committee	Primary	Secondary
1 Major Research	URI-CRC	Academia
2 Water Withdrawal Registration System	URI-GEO	USGS
3 Stream Flow Standards	DEM-WATER	NEWWA
4 Priority Uses During Emergencies	DOH	DOA-Planning
5 Water Rights/Regulatory Authority/Compliance	RIAG	RWU-LAW
6 Out-of-Basin Transfer	RIWWA	CRMC
7 Fees/Water Rates/Alternatives	PUC	Water Supplier
8 Education/Outreach/Technical Assistance*	URI-CE	URI
9 Integrated Water and Wastewater Considerations	NBC	ASRWA
10 Impact Analysis	RIEPC	DEM-Sust. Water
11 Joint Advocacy/Funding/Reporting/Program Evaluation	DOA-Budget	Legislature

* Recruitment and outreach for primary agencies are pending

**SIGN UP
FOR A SUBCOMMITTEE !**

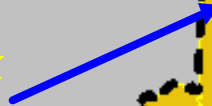
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